



SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL @ BINH DUONG NEW CITY

# NEWSLETTER

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- September 24-Lantern Festival
- October 5-Pre-school Pajama Day
- October 5-6-Year 3-5 Overnight camp
- October 8-12- Outward Bound Group 1
- October 12-Last day of Term 1
- October 31-Halloween

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

September has been a busy month with lot of learning taking place both in and out of the classroom. Some of our grade 3,4, and 5 students went on an excursion where they made their own pottery. Some of our staff were involved in some professional development learning about feedback, formative assessment and the employability of our students and how do we equip them for further studies and eventual employment.

Recently, we had an amazing event in the Lantern Festival. I would like to thank all the students and staff who have done an incredible job in putting their talents on display. Organising events like these take a lot of time, energy and creativity to bring together and special thanks need to go to Ms Kim Tri for making this day a huge success.

We have had some new staff members join us this month. I would like to welcome Ms Tam, who has joined our Vietnamese teaching team. While Tom and Kerry Dowden have finally made it to Binh Duong, from Australia.

Just a reminder that students arriving late after 8:45am need to go to the office before making their way to classes. This is for both primary and secondary students.

Thank you and take care.

Christopher Bradley

## LANTERN FESTIVAL AND STEM WEEK

On September 24<sup>th</sup> our students and parents celebrated the Lantern Festival with a special assembly and activities at school. This year, Year 1 to 5 combined the lantern festival celebration with their first STEM week. Children were learning about recycling plastics and the problem of plastic pollution in our oceans. Each class was challenged to build their lanterns using recycled plastics. Check out the photos below.

## MC ONLINE & RAZ-KIDS

Children from Year 1 to Year 6 have all been set up with an MC Online account for the 2018-19 academic year. MC Online is a great way for children to practice what they have learned at school because it is based on Singapore curriculum. Please note, the link and login requirements are different to last year.

[https://mymco.mceducation.com/LEAD/login/lms\\_login.aspx](https://mymco.mceducation.com/LEAD/login/lms_login.aspx)

All children from Prep to Year 3 have been given a Raz-Kids account too. Raz-Kids is a guided reading program that really helps children to improve their reading and comprehension at home. A letter was sent home this month explaining how to log in to Raz-Kids but details can also be found below

1. Go to [www.raz-kids.com](http://www.raz-kids.com)
2. Click 'Log in'
3. Enter the user name. Each class has a different user name;

Prep Integrated & Prep International  
**Username:** sone8

Year 1 International and Year 1A Integrated  
**Username:** stwo3

Year 2 International, Year 1B Integrated  
**Username:** sthree1

Year 2 Integrated, Year 3 Integrated  
**Username:** sfour0

Year 3 International  
**Username:** sisatbdnc

4. Click on your name

## YEAR 3-5 OVERNIGHT CAMP

Our annual overnight camp is coming soon. This Year's camp is scheduled for October 12-13<sup>th</sup>. Children from Year 2 to Year 5 are all involved, with Year 3 to 5 having adventures throughout the Friday evening and spending the night at school. Parents should have already received a letter and permission slip for this camp. If you need more information, please go to the office.

## OUTWARD BOUND

Throughout the year, students from Year 4 and above will be involved in Outward Bound activities. For Year 4 and 5, there will be activities taking place here at SIS@BDNC but for Year 6 and above, children will get the opportunity to visit Outward Bound Vietnam in Quy Nhon City. Our first group of students head for Quy Nhon next week. Good luck and have a great adventure!



# Lantern Festival 2018!

